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Honorable Anthony D. Stratton
Board Chair

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Minutes for
Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services
Meeting of October 23, 2003
Capitol, Room 327
1:00 P.M.

Chairman Stratton called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Chairman Stratton asked the recording Secretary, Darby McDonald to call roll.

Dr. Eric Bentley - Present
Shawn Bixler - Present
John Blumenstock - Present
Lee Brown - Absent
Barry Brown - Present
Jimmy Cornelison - Present
Dr. Mary Fallat - Absent
David Gray - Absent
Mary Guidugli - Present

Mayor Teresa Isaac - Present
Julie Johnson - Absent
Dr. Bob Knight - Present
Jamey Locke - Present
Bill Martin - Present
Billy Miller - Present
Judge Anthony Stratton - Present
Mike Swift - Present
Dr. Jane Wiczkowski - Present

Chairman Stratton called for determination of quorum. The quorum was met with 14 present.

Chairman Stratton welcomed the newly appointed Board members, Dr. Robert Knight, Mayor Teresa Isaac, Billy Miller and Barry Brown.

Public Comment:

Chairman Stratton called for public comment. No public comment was offered.

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Isaac made a motion to approve the minutes from June 5, June 26, August 28 and September 16 Board meetings. Seconded by Dr. Wiczkowski with corrections to be made to the June 5 and August 28 minutes, noting changes in terminology under "Committee Reports,"



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substituting “drug assisted intubation” as appropriate where intubation was noted. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report:

Chairman Stratton called on Mr. Ashley Davis for the financial report. Mr. Davis reported on the organizational analysis as of September 30, 2003 and the financial analysis for category 0100, 1300 and 1200 funds.

Jamey Locke made a motion to accept the submitted financial report from Mr. Davis. Seconded by John Blumenstock, motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Criteria for Grant Program for 2003-2004:

Chairman Stratton called on Mr. Brian Bishop to report on the grant program. Mr. Bishop recommended that the Board re-approve the existing 202 KAR 7:520 pursuant to KRS 311A.155.

Jimmy Cornelison made a motion to approve 202 KAR 7:520 as recommended by Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mike Swift. Motion passed unanimously.

Grant Fund requests:

Mike Swift made a motion to accept the September 17, 2003 request from the City of Paintsville to hold over the 2003-2004 monies with the upcoming year grant monies for ambulance repairs contingent the Fiscal Court confirming this request in writing, seconded by Dr. Bentley. Motion passed unanimously.

Shawn Bixler made a motion to asked Breckinridge Central Ambulance Service, Inc. to have the fiscal court rewrite and submit to the Board the August 19, 2003 request to purchase particular items with its 2003-2004 grant monies, seconded by Mary Guidugli. Motion passed unanimously.

Jamey Locke made a motion to amend the agenda for the purpose of considering the Air Ambulance issues, seconded by John Blumenstock. Motion passed unanimously.

Jamey Locke made a motion to recommend the chair of the Board appoint a task force to investigate and formulate recommendations and report to the Board about issues concerning the licensing, placement and operations of air ambulances located or operating in the confines of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, to be considered at the February 19, 2004, Board meeting, seconded by Dr. Bentley. Motion passed with a vote 13-1, Chairman Stratton voting no.

New Business:State Medical Advisor Report:

Chairman Stratton called on Dr. Dan O'Brien, State Medical Advisor. Dr. O'Brien had no issues on which to report.

Open Records Request Fee:

Shawn Bixler made a motion to set a ten-cents per page fee for copies made in response to open records requests, seconded by Bill Martin. Motion passed unanimously.

Budget Committee Report:

Chairman Stratton called on Mr. Ashley Davis for the Budget Committee report. Mr. Davis reported on the proposed budget that will be submitted to the Governor's Office of Policy and Management and the Legislative Research Committee.

Mike Swift made a motion to transfer funds originally allocated for two (2) previously approved staff positions, now unfilled, to the Senate Bill 66 funds, seconded by John Blumenstock. Motion passed unanimously.

John Blumenstock made a motion to submit the budget proposed by Mr. Ashley and raise Senate Bill 66 monies back to \$1,465,000.00, seconded by Billy Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

Legislative Initiative Proposal:

Mike Swift made a motion to place on the December 4, 2003 Agenda proposals on the current language in KRS Chapters 311 and 311A, in consideration of a Board resolution on which to take action in the upcoming legislative session, seconded by Billy Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:Medical Standards/ALS-BLS Scope of Practice Committee Report:Exemptions:

Dr. Bentley made a motion to approve an exemption request from Century Aluminum for the elimination of the pediatric epi-pen from their equipment, seconded by Shawn Bixler. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Bentley made a motion to deny the exemption request from Harlan County for Silas Whitehead to enroll in a paramedic course while not currently EMT certified, seconded by Billy Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Bentley made a motion to approve the exemption request from Elkhorn City Ambulance to accept APLS in lieu of PALS for Dr. Caren L. Daniels-Thacker, seconded by John Blumenstock. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Bentley made a motion to approve the exemption request from Muhlenberg Community Hospital for an additional six (6) month extension for Dr. M. Dean Carrigan to obtain ATLS by March 11, 2004, seconded by Shawn Bixler. Motion passed unanimously.

Medical Directors:

Dr. Bentley made a motion to approve the following medical directors upon contingencies: S & G Ambulance Service, Dr. George E. Burnette, contingent upon complication of ATLS and PALS by April 23, 2004. Livingston County EMS, Dr. Irvin E. Smith as submitted. Seconded by Dr. Wiczowski, motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Bentley made a motion to place Drug Assisted Intubation and Inter-Facility Transfer and Maintenance of Blood or Blood Products Protocols, including guidelines, on the December 4, 2003 Agenda. Seconded by Dr. Wiczowski, motion passed unanimously.

EMS-C Committee Report:

Chairman Stratton called on Mr. O'Neal to report on the EMS-C project.

Mr. O'Neal requested that Board members send letters to the KBEMS office by October 27, 2003, in support of the EMS-C project and Mr. Taylor's efforts in this project.

Mr. Martin noted he attended the PEP class that was held in Owensboro and was very impressed.

Shawn Bixler made a motion to approve the EMS-C report presented by Mr. Charles O'Neal, seconded by Barry Brown. Motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Regulations Report:

Jamey Locke made a motion to approve the Administrative Regulations Committee's recommendations to amend proposed regulations 202 KAR 7:510, 7:010, 7:601, 7:201, 7:301, and 7:401, in order to reflect changes made for purposes of clarification, seconded by Billy Miller. Motion passed unanimously.

Executive Directors Report:

Chairman Stratton called on Mr. Bishop to give the Executive Director's report.

Jimmy Cornelison made a motion to approve a blanket exemption from the fee regulation for individuals that are certifying, licensing, re-certifying, and re-licensing until February 1, 2004, and an exemption from the new recertification requirements for first responders, EMT's and paramedics until July 1, 2004. Motion seconded by Shawn Bixler. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Bishop presented resolutions, copies of which will be given to the families of those who have fallen in service. Cecil Hammons, Anna Brown, Paul Bullock, Jerry Coakley, Steve Bullins, Joe Brown and Randy G. Utley.

Advisory Opinion Request:

Billy Miller made a motion to adopt and issue the proposed Advisory Opinion regarding the practice of paramedics in hospitals, seconded by Dr. Bentley. Motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1) (f)

Dr. Wiczkowski moved that the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of discipline and personnel issues, pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1) (f), seconded by Shawn Bixler. Motion passed unanimously. Chairman Stratton invited Charlie O'Neal to be present for that session.

Dr. Wiczkowski moved that the Board come out of Executive Session, seconded by Mike Swift. Motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken during Executive Session.

Information/Announcements:

The next Board meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2003, at the Capitol Annex, room 125.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.